

Rocky Flats envision

Make it safe. Clean it up. Close it down.

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East Gate temporarily closes

The East Gate will be closed from 6 a.m. Friday, July 2, 2004, through 5 p.m. Sunday, July 4, to accommodate soil remediation activities in the area.



Aerial of Central Avenue taken in 1969. The thoroughfare was once home to most of the site's utility infrastructure. In 1969 the majority of the administrative employees worked in buildings along Central.



View of Central Avenue taken from a helicopter on June 14, 2004. By early spring 2005 everything but B331, home to the Rocky Flats Fire Department and garage will be gone.

Bird's-eye view of Central Ave. shows little remains

Seeing the changes from the air provides the best visual of the progress RISS has made on Central Avenue where every couple of months another building is toppled.

Five permanent buildings are all that remain on what was once the site's main thoroughfare. Two of the five buildings will be gone by the end of September and a third by the end of the calendar year. Demolition of B121 and B122 is scheduled for late August or early September. B115 is scheduled to come down by December and B681 in mid-2005. That leaves B331, home to the fire department and garage, which is planned for demolition in July 2005.

Fiscal Year 2004 has already seen the demolition of buildings 116, 119, 128, 443 and trailers 119B and 117A. The site's largest and most contaminated environmental restoration project, the 903 Pad, was also remediated this year. Maintaining a

safe work environment has kept the tremendous momentum going.

"The RISS asbestos abatement and demolition crews know what to expect from each other. They have abated and demolished every building along Central with the exception of B111," said Cameron Freiboth, Area 3 Project manager. "Much of the credit for our success goes to these workers."

The accelerated removal of buildings along Central has had a ripple effect on overall closure progress, according to RISS Vice President and Project Manager Denny Ferrera.

"With the buildings gone, Environmental Restoration crews can begin remediation of under building contamination and individual hazardous substance sites (IHSS) earlier than originally planned," Ferrera said. *by Jackie Powers*

Metro Denver job picture brightens

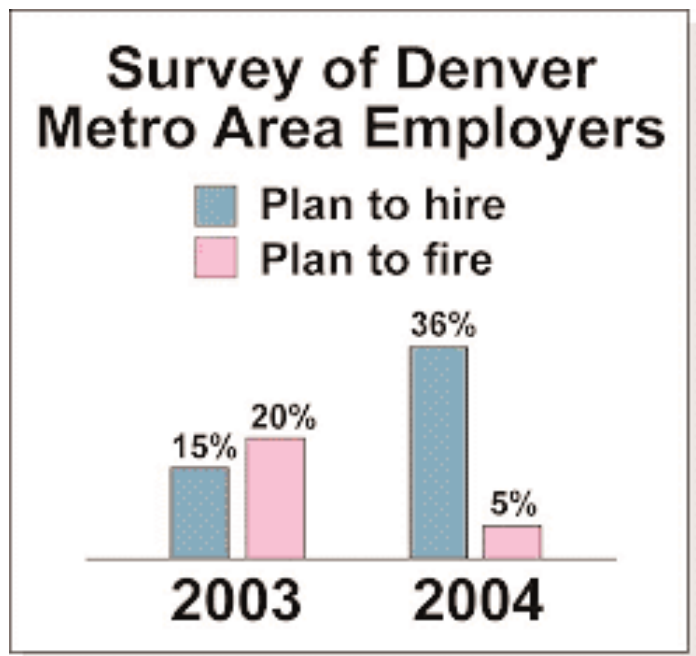
Metro Denver job seekers received some good news from Manpower Inc., an employment services company. Its survey of metro area employers found that 36 percent plan to hire between now and the end of September and only 5 percent plan cuts. A year ago, only 15 percent planned to hire while 20 percent planned layoffs.

Analysts are saying it's another indication that the metro Denver economy is on a rebound after two years of steady job losses. Companies in Boulder and southeast Denver plan to add the most jobs, according to the survey.

Sectors most likely to hire are construction, manufacturing, transportation and public utilities. Retail and wholesale trade, services, finance, insurance and real estate also ranked high in planned hiring.

Careerbuilder, a leading job search Web site, released results of its nationwide survey of 480 hiring managers. Nearly half said they expect to hire in upcoming months. Professional and technical positions are in greatest demand.

An article in the *Rocky Mountain News* warned that job seekers can expect lower wages and intense competition from younger, less-experienced workers. But Kristi Nygaard of the Rocky Flats Career Transition Center countered that, while the generality may be true, the metro Denver area consists of a vast number of employers, many of whom are willing to pay top price for the right skills and experience. *by Ed Bodey*



The number of employees in the Metro Denver Area that plan to hire is up significantly.

Former employee takes swing at golf business

Steve Retundi, 49, received his layoff notice from B776/777 in 2003. With thirteen years at Rocky Flats coming to an end, Retundi knew he needed to begin planning for his future. He had the opportunity to transfer to Los Alamos National Laboratory or Pantex but decided not to uproot his family. He also wanted to go into business for himself. So, he began researching franchise opportunities.

Retundi's love for golf compelled him to open his own golf sporting goods store, Golf Etc. The store is part of a national franchise but is owned and operated by Retundi and his son. His store, located between Jason's Deli and CB & Potts near the FlatIron Crossing mall, officially opened for business on June 28.

"I wanted to be my own boss," says Retundi, "and my experience at Rocky Flats gave me the discipline to get this off the ground." While at Rocky Flats, he gained valuable experience setting up accounts and working with vendors. Both skills, claims Retundi, were important in starting his own retail outlet.

"Opening your own business isn't just hanging up a sign," he said. "The franchise provides support in everything from legal matters to logistics."

As franchise owner, Retundi received all the training he needed to run a successful business including instruction in managing personnel, inventories and bookkeeping. Golf Etc. also helped Retundi become a certified golf club fitter and builder.

Retundi offers personal service and consultation selling all major brands of golf clubs and providing custom fitting. He also



Steve Retundi stands with Fred, his store mascot, in front of Golf Etc. of Broomfield.

has a golf shaft-fitting laboratory that electronically tracks your swing and provides a written profile.

"A golfer's swing is like a fingerprint," said Retundi. By custom fitting a club, golfers can dramatically improve the repeatability of their swing and lower their scores.

by Bill Badger

Stay safe during summer activities

For most of us, summer means more outdoor activities (swimming, barbecuing, camping and biking) and, with the 4th of July celebration, fireworks. The U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission warns that summer is the time of year consumers are most likely to be injured.

Keep your head in the game and stay focused so you can enjoy summer activities with friends and family.

Fireworks

Fact: There are approximately 12,000 fireworks-related injuries each year in the United States.

Safety Tips:

- The safest way to enjoy fireworks is to leave it to the professionals.
- Leave areas where amateurs are using fireworks.
- If you find unexploded fireworks, do not touch them. Immediately contact your local fire or police departments.



Grilling

Fact: Grilling is a potential safety hazard if it is not done correctly.

Safety Tips:

- Keep the grill off wooden decks, away from children's play areas and low-hanging tree branches.
- Stay with the grill when lit and keep children and pets away from the area.
- Protect yourself by wearing a heavy apron and use an oven mitt.
- Don't wear loose clothing that could easily catch fire. Roll up your sleeves, tuck in shirttails and make sure apron strings won't hang over the grill.
- For charcoal grills, only use starter fluids designed for barbecue grills (never gasoline). Don't add liquid fuel to reignite or build up a fire.
- Soak the coals with water before you discard them.
- Check gas grill connections for leaks by using a soap and water mixture that will show bubbles if gas escapes.



Lightning

Fact: Lightning can strike in any season and during any part of the day or night. Each year, about 400 people in the U.S. are struck by lightning.

Safety Tips, In a storm:

- Don't go near the water.
- Don't lie down on wet ground.
- Don't go near tall or metal objects, such as flagpoles, fences and trees.
- If inside, stay away from electrical appliances and don't use the telephone, as they are good conductors of electricity.
- Don't watch storms from an open window or door, and avoid the fireplace as it is often a lightning target.
- The safest place to be is a steel-framed building or an enclosed automobile.



Lawn mowers

Fact: The revolving blade can throw objects at more than 200 miles per hour.

Safety Tips:

- Keep everyone away when mowing the lawn – rocks, sticks, metal and other objects on the ground shoot from the mower like a bullet.
- Never allow a child to ride with you on a riding lawn mower.
- Wear long pants, hard shoes, safety glasses and earplugs while mowing.
- Pick up sticks, rocks, toys and trash in the area before mowing.
- Store just enough gasoline to power your lawn care equipment. Keep it outside the home in a clearly marked can approved for gasoline storage.



- Cool a hot mower for 10 minutes before refueling.
- Wait until the grass is dry before mowing. With push mowers, mow across the slope, never up and down. With riding mowers, mow up and down the slopes, not across them.
- Slopes too steep for a mower should be trimmed by hand or planted with a low maintenance ground cover.
- Take extra care when turning, and look behind you before backing up with a riding mower.
- Avoid pulling a push mower backward – you risk having your feet slip under the mower deck.



Water safety

Fact: Swimming is the third leading cause of accidental death in the United States.

Safety Tips:

- Never swim alone or leave young children unattended.
- If the water temperature is less than 50 degrees, you may not be able to swim at all after 15-20 minutes.
- Avoid swimming past your ability or in rough water.
- Wear life jackets during recreational boating. Small children should wear life jackets dockside.
- Make sure the pool or lake is deep enough before diving into the water.
- Do not consume alcoholic beverages when swimming or boating.
- Be cautious of strong currents when swimming in the ocean.
- Fence all home pools.
- Learn CPR.
- Get out of the water immediately if you hear thunder or see lightning.

MS, RISS increase shipments from 903 Pad Lip



Crews load intermodal containers full of low-level waste on to a flatbed at the 903 Pad Lip area.

This week Material Stewardship and RISS increased the number of low-level waste shipments from the 903 Pad Lip Area to Envirocare in Utah from 25 to 30 per day, or 150 per week.

Raising the bar in waste shipping was a team effort that included the 903 Pad crew, Low-Level Waste Shipping staff, Waste Certification and Traffic Management, according to Dan Salyers, LL/LLM Waste Implementation Project manager.

"We have a bunch of people doing a fantastic job," he said. "They know what needs to be done and just do it."

declassifieds

Automobiles/Motorcycles

1993 Dodge Dakota LE, extra-cab, A/C, 4WD, bed liner; new tires, radiator, water pump and fuel pump, \$3,500 or best offer. Harold, 720-220-5923.

1995 Ford Escort, auto., A/C, 39,000 miles, excellent condition, \$2,500 firm. Karen, 303-466-1916.

1997 Nissan Pathfinder, white, excellent condition, 78,500 miles, \$8,200, Kelly, 303-279-0057.

Miscellaneous

Dark oak trestle table, 60-in. x

35-in. \$100; white contemporary rattan loveseat with 2 side-chairs and glass-topped coffee table, \$75; white computer desk and chair, \$45. Pam, 303-423-5209.

Golf clubs, Pinseeker metal woods – 1,3,5 with covers, 3 through SW, Sun Mountain bag, \$100 or best offer. Jim, 303-452-0858.

10-in. Rockwell table saw with 60-tooth carbide blade, 1.5 hp, excellent condition, \$250. Jim, 303-466-8757.

Craftsman radial arm saw, 8.25-in. blade, 2.5 hp., owners manual, \$30. Robert, 303-438-0017. House for sale by owner,

3-bdrm., 1-bth., ranch, oversized 2-car attached garage, shed, 24-ft. x 30-ft. detachable garage/workshop, new central air/heat, carpet, includes appliances, partially finished basement, low \$200,000. Jay, 303-254-8170.

1950s child's flip-top school desk, \$50; child's brass and glass vanity and mirror with chair, \$20; men's 15-spd. bicycle, \$35. Jim, 720-214-2214.

Kenmore 1-burner propane gas grill, very good shape, \$10; Penta, SC-46 Formula step exerciser machine, \$15. Ed, 303-730-8642.

Newer twin bed with 4-drawer pedestal and bookshelf headboard and mattress, \$300. Lynne, 303-466-6167.

Trailers/Campers/Boats

1991 Laser sailboat with trailer, 2 sails, good condition, many extras, including life jacket and wet suit, demo available. \$1,950. Ron, 303-666-9539.

Wanted

Roommate to share furnished 2-bdrm 1-bth., small mobile home, N/S, N/P, weekly. or monthly, \$90 per wk., or \$360 per month, includes cable, utilities and phone. Jean, 303-426-7542.

Declassifieds

- Only Rocky Flats site employees are eligible to place ads.
- Please use the form at right to submit your ad. Or send your ad via e-mail to Jackie Powers, or via the Intranet (Home Page/News & Info/Communication Division/Declassifieds).
- Ads should be no more than 20 words.
- Check category in which the ad is to be included.
- Home phone numbers must be used in the ads, except for items in the Lost/Found and Vanpools/Carpools categories.
- Site extension must be included (in case information needs to be verified).
- Only one ad per issue (ads will not be re-run unless they are resubmitted).
- Ads for garage sales or personal businesses will not be run.
- Ads for real estate can be placed only by owners and will include the phrase "for sale by owner."
- No ads for guns/other weapons will be accepted.
- Mail or bring ads to T130B, Cube 80.
- Declassifieds are accepted on a first-come basis.
- Deadline is six working days before the desired publication date.
- Employees who submit fictitious ads will be subject to disciplinary action based on company standards of conduct.

Category (check one)

- **Animals**
- **Automobiles/Motorcycles**
- **Lost/Found**
- **Miscellaneous**
- **Trailers/Campers/Boats**
- **Vanpools/Carpools**
- **Wanted**

Text:

Name (first and last): _____

Home phone: _____

Site extension: _____

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